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Dear Mr. Hand:

This is in response to your "Response To Decision Dated March 11, 2004" received 26 March 2004.

The original declaration filed with the present communication appears to be a composite declaration in that there are multiple pages numbered "2" each identifying the same inventive entity wherein each page has been separately executed. This suggests that the declaration was assembled from separately executed declarations into a single "composite" declaration. The fact that this was how the declaration was received from foreign counsel does not alter this. If in fact each of the inventors executed the same 3 page declaration that was submitted on 26 March 2004, then counsel should so state.

Applicants have requested clarification regarding the submission of the computer readable forms of the Sequence Listing filed on 13 May 2002 and 01 July 2002. Both of the computer readable forms were damaged due to irradiating at the 20231 zip code. The time period set in the "NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (Form PCT/DO/EO/905)" mailed 22 April 2004 continues to run. To avoid abandonment of the application, applicants

must timely file a proper response to the Form PCT/DO/EO/905.



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